

matters, volunteer activities, and, most importantly, his wife, Jo Anne.

Howard Hogan is an ideal citizen who has shown enthusiasm and commitment to the students of El Rancho Unified School District. In his 36 years as a teacher, he has made limitless contributions to both faculty and students alike. I know my colleagues will join me in congratulating Howard for all his accomplishments and wishing him the best of luck in his retirement.

“HONORING A FALLEN HERO,
YASBEL ‘MAC’ ARREDONO ORTIZ”

HON. HILDA L. SOLIS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 12, 2001

Ms. SOLIS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Ysabel “Mac” Arrendondo Ortiz, who proudly served his county in Korea. Although he was listed as Missing In Action on Dec. 2, 1950, his family never gave up hope that he would return home. In January of 1954 his mother, Concha, received notice that Corporal Ysabel A. Ortiz had been awarded the Purple Heart Award posthumously for making the supreme sacrifice for his county.

Cpl. Ysabel was born and raised in the 31st Congressional District city of El Monte, California. He was a third generation El Montean. His grandfather, Longino Ortiz, came to America in 1915 to look for a better life for his family and escape the troubles of the Mexican Revolution. He arrived in El Monte and sent for the rest of the family from Leon, Guanajuato, Mexico.

Ysabel A. Ortiz, or Mac as his friends and family knew him, attended school in El Monte at a time when Mexican-American children were segregated from white school children. Mac attended school up to grade 5 at Lexington School and then Columbia school from grade 6 through 8. He attended El Monte High School and then enlisted in the U.S. Army at age 18.

Mac’s service to his country has not gone unrecognized. His name appears on a bronze plaque honoring our nation’s war dead at the El Monte Historical Museum. Mac’s photo also hangs in the La Historia Society Museum/Museo de Los Barrios Veterans Exhibit, which is also in El Monte. To this day, Cpl. Ysabel “Mac” A. Ortiz’s Purple Heart is proudly displayed by his sister Chata.

Mac Ortiz was survived by his mother, Concha Ortiz (now deceased); his father, Ysabel M. Ortiz, Sr. of West Covina, CA; his brothers Harold Ortiz (now deceased) and Jose Lucio Ortiz, of Oklahoma; his sisters Esmeralda “Chata” Ortiz Ureno of Covina and Jennie Sanchez of Whittier; his step-brothers Manuel Ortiz of El Monte and Rudy Ortiz of Bakersfield; and his step-sisters Rose Soto of West Covina and Ana Sanchez of Arcadia.

Mac Ortiz’s loving memory lives in the hearts of Chata and the entire Ortiz family. I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Mac Ortiz’s contributions to our great nation.

THE KIDNAPPING OF THREE ISRAELI SOLDIERS

HON. MARK STEVEN KIRK

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 12, 2001

Mr. KIRK. Mr. Speaker, on October 7th of last year Hezbollah terrorists crossed the Israel-Lebanon border and perpetrated the cowardly kidnapping of three Israeli soldiers. In the last nine months Hezbollah has repeatedly refused to provide any information on the fate of these young men, leaving their families and friends in a state of torturous limbo.

Last week it was revealed that the United Nations is in possession of a video tape that was made of the scene of this crime the day after it occurred. The Israeli government investigators believe that this tape may contain material evidence that will help them identify the terrorists who committed this act.

U.N. peacekeepers should be expected to keep the peace. This includes assisting in the apprehension of those who violate international borders to commit war crimes.

I have introduced a House Resolution that calls for the United Nations to immediately provide Israeli investigators with an unedited copy of the crime scene video tape and any other material evidence that would help bring these terrorists to justice and to end this nightmare for the families of Adi Avitan, Binyamin Avraham, and Omar Souad.

I urge my colleagues to join me to show our strong support for the rule of law, for the sovereignty of our ally Israel, and for these men held in captivity by terrorists.

RECOGNIZING MR. PAUL MARKLOFF

HON. JAMES C. GREENWOOD

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 12, 2001

Mr. GREENWOOD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Paul Markloff, whose honesty and character have made him a hero to an elderly woman in the wake of Hurricane Allison. Mr. Markloff is a nineteen-year employee of Nationwide Insurance and a resident of Sellersville, Pennsylvania. On June 19 he was assigned to the case of a woman whose apartment had been flooded and then burned when the water caused a natural gas explosion in the building. She had no family to help her recover from the damage. Her apartment was devastated by the fire and she told Mr. Markloff that she had lost everything. She mentioned that she had \$8,000 in cash inside her apartment. When Mr. Markloff and a maintenance worker went in and searched the charred furniture, they found a total of \$420,000 cash in a dresser. Despite the fact that the woman had not mentioned this much money—she said, in fact, that she didn’t even know she had that much—Mr. Markloff gathered the money together and drove her immediately to her bank. He made sure that all the cash was carefully deposited in a special account and then took her to dinner and found her a room for the night.

Mr. Markloff’s actions in assisting this woman in a time of crisis would have been

commendable even had they not also included such an impressive display of honesty. Had he only helped her find housing, he would have earned our praise. By returning her savings, about which she herself was unaware, he has shown himself to be a man of high moral and ethical standards. It is always inspiring to know that there are people like Mr. Markloff, who are generous enough to do the right thing without thought of personal gain. Mr. Markloff told a local newspaper that he didn’t expect any reward for his actions because he was “just doing his job.” Perhaps he was not rewarded monetarily, but he certainly deserves our recognition and thanks. His actions remind us how much good is in all of us and I am honored to pay tribute to him today.

IN HONOR OF ST. JOHN WEST SHORE HOSPITAL

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 12, 2001

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor St. John West Shore Hospital in commemoration of its 20th anniversary. Since its establishment in 1981, the hospital has been faithfully serving the needs of western Cuyahoga and eastern Lorain county residents.

Since its induction as a fledgling medical facility on March 1, 1981, St. John West Shore Hospital has subsequently expanded and broadened its services, making it a bastion of service and charity for the Westlake community. The hospital’s initial years were filled with uncertainty, but its current success renders the institution an emblem of triumph and progress for us all to admire. The Westlake community welcomed and supported the hospital since its induction as a medical facility, forging the reciprocal relationship that has been so integral to the hospital’s survival and growth. A testament to this mutual support and rapport was the monumental opening of Medical Buildings 2 and 3.

In 1989, the Sisters of Charity of St. Augustine became the sole sponsors of the hospital, setting the framework for the hospital’s establishment as an institution dedicated to the well-being of the community. However, the hospital does not qualify its services to solely the physical needs of the Westlake residents, but also nurtures their spiritual needs as witnessed by its induction of the annual Festival of the Arts in 1992. In line with its commitment to serving the public, the facility pays arduous attention to the needs of each individual. To expedite the fulfillment of each patient’s particular and unique needs, the hospital became part of a not-for-profit juncture in 1999, under the auspices of University Hospitals Health System and the Sisters of Charity of St. Augustine Health System. This joint effort further compounded the hospitals’ steadfast dedication and mission as a health care advocate at the service of its people.

I laud St. John West Shore Hospital on its 20th anniversary in sincere awe and reverence for its magnanimous and unrelenting efforts in the service of the residents of Westlake.

HONORING ROBERT F.
PAILTHORPE

HON. DALE E. KILDEE

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 12, 2001

Mr. KILDEE. Mr. Speaker, it is a great honor to rise before you today to recognize the accomplishments of Chief Navy Journalist Robert F. Pailthorpe, who will be retiring September 28, after 20 years of loyal service to our country.

Born in Swartz Creek, Michigan in 1963, Robert Pailthorpe graduated from Swartz Creek High School, where he served as editor of the student newspaper, after founding a community newspaper at the age of 15. He joined the United States Navy in August 1981, and after graduation from basic training, reported to Naval Technical Training Center in Meridian, MS, where he graduated in the top 10 percent of his class, qualifying him for accelerated advancement to Petty Officer-Third Class. After a stint on the USS Saratoga, Chief Pailthorpe attended the Defense Information School at Fort Benjamin Harrison, and returned to the Saratoga as Petty Officer—Second Class. During this time, Chief Pailthorpe coordinated international media response to the American bombing of Libya after the Achille Lauro ocean liner hijacking.

Chief Pailthorpe went on to serve as Public Affairs Officer and Department Head for the Navy second largest recruiting district in Chicago. His success there resulted in two nominations as Sailor of the Year and three selections as Support Person of the Quarter. While in Chicago, Chief Pailthorpe reenrolled in the Defense Information School, where he became Commanding Officer of his class, and he was advanced to Journalist-First Class.

After completing a tour on the USS Forrestal, Chief Pailthorpe next assignment was as Assistant Public Affairs Officer and Assistant Department Head of the Navy's Blue Angels. He oversaw the public affairs mission requirements for over 120 air shows and many other special projects during the team's 50 the Anniversary. He was nominated as Blue Angel of the Year, and selected as Blue Angel of the Quarter for his efforts.

In October 1996, Chief Pailthorpe reported to his current post, Strategic Communications Wing One as Assistant Public Affairs Officer and Administrative Department Leading Chief Petty Officer. In May 1999, he coordinated national media response in the wake of one of Oklahoma's most powerful and destructive tornadoes.

Chief Pailthorpe has been recognized many times for his service. He has received three Navy Commendation Medals, three Navy Achievement Medals, and four Good Conduct Medals, among many other awards. In addition, he has always strived to be an important figure in his community. He has been an active member of the Boy Scouts, the Sea Cadet Corps, was editor of Chicago's American Red Cross newspaper, and was adviser and newspaper editor for the Oklahoma State Chapter to Prevent Child Abuse.

Mr. Speaker, as the father of two sons who have served in our nation's military, I know very well that it takes a special person to serve our country in the service of the military. I am grateful for Chief Robert Pailthorpe's

dedication and commitment to justice, and I ask my colleagues to please join me in congratulating him on his retirement.

TRIBUTE TO THE CITY OF
FAYETTEVILLE

HON. MIKE MCINTYRE

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 12, 2001

Mr. MCINTYRE. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I rise today to congratulate the City of Fayetteville on its recent selection as an All-America City for 2001. This is quite an honor, and indeed one that is well-deserved.

In particular, I would like to pay special tribute to those individuals who served on the Fayetteville All-America City Award Committee for their tremendous efforts to bring due recognition to this fine city located in the Seventh Congressional District of North Carolina.

Under this committee's exemplary leadership, Fayetteville has been recognized as a model for all cities across the nation to emulate. By encouraging community-wide involvement to help address and solve local issues, the residents of Fayetteville have shown that they truly have what it takes to be All-America citizens.

They are to be commended for their efforts to implement three innovative programs known as Operation Inasmuch, MetroVisions, and Study Circles. By fostering an atmosphere of commitment, cooperation, and community, these programs have served to make Fayetteville an even better place to call home.

The City of Fayetteville is indeed privileged to have such dedicated citizens working tirelessly to promote all that this community has to offer. With hard work and dedication, the residents of Fayetteville have what it takes to make a real difference. I am confident that whatever challenges Fayetteville may have—now or in the future—the citizens of this fine city will overcome them and go forward with inspiration, imagination, and innovation.

My fellow colleagues, please join me in saluting Fayetteville for this distinguished honor of being named an All-America City for 2001.

TRIBUTE TO HEINZ PRECHTER

HON. SANDER M. LEVIN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 12, 2001

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to a remarkable citizen of Michigan, of our nation, indeed of the world, Heinz Prechter.

Like so many, many others, I was deeply saddened and shocked at his death on July 6. I did not know Heinz Prechter well enough to know about his inner self. I did not know that he had been fighting the illness of depression for many years. I did know him well enough to have seen firsthand his immense vitality, his grit, his supreme intelligence and his unique curiosity.

It was only a few weeks ago that he dropped by the office in D.C. for a chat. He was very tanned, I thought perhaps from playing golf with one or more of the endless luminaries with whom his life was intertwined. But

our discussion was very down to earth, which was the hallmark of Heinz Prechter.

The day before he had been elected the new Chairman of the U.S. Automotive Parts Advisory Committee. He had agreed to take this post, even though he knew that he had already overcrowded his schedule with a wide variety of other endeavors such as the Global Automotive Institute, work on the board of the Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village, various projects in the Downriver communities, all in addition, of course, to his day to day business dealings. With enthusiasm he discussed how he intended to pick up the pace on efforts to win for American businesses and workers more equal access to the markets of other nations. On this subject, as was true for so many others in his life, there was no barrier because he was an active Republican talking with a Democratic member of Congress. For him, life was a web of different pursuits with changing alliances. He felt that he had the best chance to get things moving again, using his impeccable credentials in the automotive world and his relationships within the political party to which he was dedicated.

When he was leaving, we put our arms around each others shoulders; the last thought in my mind at the time was that I would never see again that ball of fire, that bundle of energy.

His life is an example for all—his dedication to human endeavors and relationships.

May his death serve not only for us to remember him well, as he so richly deserves, but also to tackle with the kind of energy he possessed the illness, depression, that cost him his life and cost us an invaluable citizen and friend. My condolences reach out to the entire Prechter family.

HONORING DR. OLIVE JACK FOR
HER EXTRAORDINARY SERVICE
TO THE NAPA COMMUNITY

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 12, 2001

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Dr. Olive Jack's tremendous commitment to the health and well being of the citizens of the Napa community. Dr. Jack has served admirably in many health care roles and has been a tremendous success in every one.

We can all look to Dr. Jack as a true role model for serving the public selflessly and tirelessly. Currently, Dr. Jack is serving on the Napa County Commission on Aging, the Napa-Solano Area Agency on Aging, and is membership chair of the Napa Association of Retarded Citizens Board. She is also a member of the Board and Executive Committee of ALDEA, an agency that operates residential treatment programs for disturbed teenagers.

Dr. Jack began her long career in public service in the Napa area when she started as the School Physician for Napa County Superintendent of Schools and as a consultant to Napa County Health Department, in charge of Child Health Conferences. Following her success working with the school district, Dr. Jack served five years as Director of Health Services for the County of Napa.

Previous to her career in public service, Dr. Jack served her internship and residency at